

HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Trenton, Nebraska
September 6th, 2016

A meeting of the Hitchcock County Board of Equalization of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on the 6th day of September, 2016 as published. Present were Chair Scott McDonald, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Paul Nichols, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County News. Board agendas are posted on the County's website www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov. Notice of the meeting and availability of the agenda were given to the Chair and all members of the Board. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Member McDonald moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of the September 6th, 2016 agenda; 2. Approval of the August 1st, 2016 meeting minutes. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion. McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

County Assessor Marlene Bedore joined the meeting.

Clerk Pollmann presented copies of letters that were sent to each protestant providing statutory notice of hearing date and time which were received and marked Exhibit #27.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

The following property valuation protests were read, reviewed and discussed.

- Protest #16-148, Ronald B. Bauer #440027373, Victoria Bauer, present
- Protest #16-149, Ronald B. Bauer #440027446, Victoria Bauer, present
- Protest #16-150, Michael S. Bauer, #440027438, Victoria Bauer, present

Protestant's exhibits #28, #29, and #30 were received for the protests listed above. The Board of Equalization considered the testimony and evidence presented on the above listed protests.

Member Wertz moved accept the Assessor's recommendations and set real property values on the following parcels relating to 2016 property valuation protests as follows:

- Protest #16-148 on parcel #440027373 - \$212,210
- Protest #16-149 on parcel #440027446 - \$112,670
- Protest #16-150 on parcel #440027438 - \$176,040

Member McDonald seconded and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. Nichols, Wertz, McDonald. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bauer was informed that protestants would be notified of the board's final decision via first class mail and that the action of the County Board of Equalization upon a protest may be appealed to the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission (TERC).

Assessor Bedore advised as to tax list correction #53 (RE) on parcel #440015342 tax year 2015 and discussion was held on the same.

Member Wertz moved to approve tax correction 53 (RE) on parcel #440015342 for tax year 2015. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion. Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on a tax refund request. Attorney Garner advised that requests for tax refunds should be filed with the County Treasurer. The individuals requesting the refund will be notified as to this requirement.

Assessor Bedore advised as to planned annexation of lands into the Village of Trenton and provided a survey relating to the new Linnenberger Addition to the Village of Trenton. In relation to the 2016 property valuation, Assessor Bedore presented two reports: Real Estate Growth Report by Parcel ID and School District Taxable Value Reports for 2015/2016 and advised as to centrally assessed property and recent sales on rural residential properties.

Member McDonald moved to adjourn Board of Equalization at 10:30 a.m. Member Wertz seconded the motion and the following members voted in favor of the motion. Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Scott McDonald, Chair

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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